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AN ACT

To amend the prohibition of title 18, United States Code,
against financial transactions with terrorists.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Prohibition on Finan-
3 cial Transactions With Countries Supporting Terrorism
4 Act of 1997”.

5 **SEC. 2. FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS WITH TERRORISTS.**

6 Section 2332d of title 18, United States Code, (relat-
7 ing to financial transactions) is amended—

8 (1) in subsection (a)—

9 (A) by striking “Except as provided in reg-
10 ulations issued by the Secretary of the Treas-
11 ury, in consultation with the Secretary of State,
12 whoever” and inserting “Whoever”; and

13 (B) by inserting “of 1979” after “Export
14 Administration Act”; and

15 (2) in subsection (b)(1), by inserting after
16 “1956(c)(4)” the following: “, except that such term
17 does not include any transaction ordinarily incident
18 to—

19 “(A) routine diplomatic relations among
20 countries;

21 “(B) an official act by a representative of,
22 or an act which is authorized by and conducted
23 on behalf of, the United States Government;

24 “(C) the broadcasting or reporting of news
25 by organizations regularly engaged in such ac-
26 tivity; or

1 “(D) the provision or purchase of assist-
2 ance intended to relieve human suffering, in-
3 cluding medical services, supplies, and equip-
4 ment;

5 “(E) the receipt of emergency medical
6 services;

7 “(F) any postal, telegraphic, or other per-
8 sonal communication which does not involve a
9 transfer of anything of value;

10 “(G) the protection of intellectual property
11 rights of any United States person;

12 “(H) the performance of any contract or
13 agreement that was entered into before June
14 12, 1997, but not those renewed after such
15 date;

16 “(I) the provision of hospitality or trans-
17 portation services; or

18 “(J) the payment of a claim to any United
19 States person”.

20 **SEC. 3. REPORT ON EFFECTS OF ENACTMENT.**

21 Beginning not later than one year after the date of
22 enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Treasury, in
23 consultation with the Secretary of State, shall issue an an-
24 nual report to Congress on—

1 (1) the impact of this prohibition on United
2 States businesses; and

(2) any means by which a negative impact might be ameliorated.

Passed the House of Representatives July 8, 1997.

Attest: ROBIN H. CARLE,
Clerk.

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